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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously presented): A computer implemented process for auctioning services requested by a buyer via a network, comprising the steps of:

submitting by the buyer via the network a service request to a broker for auctioning;

making available via the network by the broker to potential bidders a buyer rating, wherein said rating includes information on the buyer's follow-through of bids in prior auctions, wherein the potential bidders are sellers of services; and

considering by the potential bidders the rating in deciding on whether to bid on the service request, wherein the higher the rating, the more willing the potential bidders would want to bid, and the lower the rating, the less willing the potential bidders would want to bid.

9. (Original): A process as in claim 8, wherein the rating includes the number of service requests completed with respect to the number of service requests submitted in prior auctions.

10. (Original): A process as in claim 8, wherein the service request is for printing services.

11. (Original): A process as in claim 8, wherein the broker is an electronic broker operating at a node in an information exchange network.